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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS GRANT TO NURSING SCHOLARS COMMISSION

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Ernest J. Grant** of Chapel Hill to the North Carolina Nursing Scholars Commission.

Grant is a nursing education clinician at the N.C. Jaycee Burn Center at UNC Hospitals. He serves on the American Nurses Assocation Board of Directors and the American Nurses Credentialing Center Board of Directors. Grant is a member of the North Carolina Nurses Association. He was named National Nurse of the Year in 2002 by Nursing Spectrum magazine. He received a Bachelor's degree in nursing from N.C. Central University and a Master's degree in nursing from UNC at Greensboro.

The commission chooses scholarship loan recipients created under the Nursing Scholars Program. It also oversees standards regarding selection criteria and methods used for determining the scholarship loans. The commission has 11 members, each serving a four-year term. The governor appoints three members. The Senate President Pro Tempore and the Speaker of the House each appoint three members. The chairs of the N.C. Board of Nursing and the N.C. Education Assistance Authority serve on the commission by virtue of their positions.

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